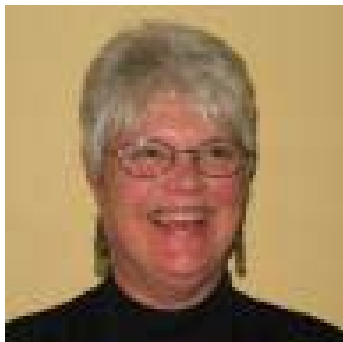


G'Day Everyone,

The Adelaide Branch AGM is well and truly over! I congratulate all of the Committee Members on their re-election. I welcome 'Bundi' Zschorn as Treasurer and new Committee Member, Bernie Gelston.



As the new year begins, I and the committee are working towards expanding our social activities, so if any member has suggestions, please let me or any of the committee members know, so we can discuss their viability.

Members will see an innovative energetic committee committed to Ulysses Members. Adelaide Branch, when first formed was the only Branch in South Australia, not any more!

Adelaide Branch has evolved over recent years, and I see the Branch as a catalyst, bringing other Branches and Riding Groups together, where members can get together, catch up with friends from opposite sides of the city and country areas, building strength within the Ulysses Club and uniting all members across the State.

The Odyssey newsletter is an extension of the Adelaide Branch and its uniqueness, and members from across the state are encouraged to contribute, informing each other of activities and events and strengthening our alliances State wide. I have heard people from other states say that Adelaide is a 'big country town'; we are a city in our own right, but the difference is that we have not forgotten that the simple things in life are often the best!!!

So keep it simple and uphold the motto, and grow old disgracefully!!

Disgracefully Yours
Liz Fairchild
President
Ulysses Club Adelaide Branch

The editor's bit.....

First of all, I would like to apologise to all our subscribers and advertisers (who were affected) for the omission of pages 1 & 2 and 35 & 36 in the last issue of The Odyssey. This was a printer error beyond my control.



We now have a Magazine Committee comprising Sue Freene, Jann Baker, Jenny Hills and myself to come up with strategies to deal with the issue of the overall cost and distribution of The Odyssey.

Something that started out as the Newsletter for South Australia (when Adelaide was the only branch in SA), has evolved into a valuable tool in keeping all the SA and Broken Hill Branches in touch with each other, keeping us aware of what each branch is up to and promotes interest in each other's activities. In this regard, it is unique. Two recent cases in point are Sue's Poetry Night at Peterborough (the 20 people came not only from Adelaide, but Yorke Peninsula, Swan Reach, Port Pirie and Port Augusta). It would have been a pretty dismal turnout without advertising to our fellow members via The Odyssey. The other event is the Wallaroo Weekend Train Trip in August. There are 48 people booked on the train and 50 booked into dinner. There again, there are 28 or so from Adelaide and the rest coming from other areas - a direct result of making the event known to all subscribers of The Odyssey. The friendships made over the years via get-togethers, prompted by branch notes and ads in The Odyssey, can not be underestimated. Also, many friendships were formed when new branches eventuated, often with support from Adelaide. We must work at keeping this valuable network going so that we can keep on doing what we do best: socialising far and wide and growing old disgracefully!

It was great to have so many people at our place for a sausage sizzle in June. The Torrens Valley people came here for their Sunday ride, and the Yorke Peninsula crew took the opportunity to spend a couple of hours with their city cousins. All up there were about 55 here. I ordered up the weather and all seemed to have a particularly sociable time.

Entertainment Books: Dale Howard and Sue Freene would like to thank those who supported the Andy Caldicott Memorial Trust Fund by purchasing the Entertainment Book, recently. \$455 was raised from the sales. They hope you all enjoy using the books and look forward to promoting this venture again next year.

Had a letter from **Paul Hancock** re his recovery after his accident, etc. I would like to share some of this with you:

- Paul has passed his car and M/C practical test, no mean feat
- He has purchased **his** Yamaha Diversion from Bike Factory after it was written off by the insurance company. Received his \$10,000 cheque for his bike and then purchased it back for \$6,500. Thank you very much.
- Guzzi Bob wrote a poem to celebrate Paul's return to the riding world and it is included in this edition of The Odyssey.

I'm sure all members wish Paul all the best in his remarkable recovery.

The Crows seem to be unstoppable and look like they are on their way to more glory in September, but

Go the Power!
Wendy

SOME GOOD NEWS AND SOME BAD NEWS!

OK, let's have the good news first.

As a result of a Ulysses Club submission to the Motor Accident Commission some 9 months ago, I have some very good news to report, especially if you own a bike of capacity between 601cc and 660cc.

As we know, in October last year, the SA Motorcycle Safety Strategy was released and the very first objective to get a guernsey was the LAMS legislation. Now novice and learner motorcyclists can ride much more appropriate machines with a power to weight ratio of 150 Kw/Tonne and a 660cc upper limit. It seemed reasonable to me that owners of these bikes should be rewarded with cheaper registration and compulsory third party insurance costs. Previously this limit for cheaper rego was at the 600cc mark. The submission was therefore slanted at this improvement and the results came through only recently. Now the limit for cheaper rego has been upped to 660cc,, meaning that not only LAMS bikes will be rewarded with cheaper rego, but ALL bikes, whether LAMS approved or not also have this advantage. (Guess who purchased a 650 Suzuki V-Strom three months ago?) The saving is around \$120 a year and will give a substantial sales boost for these excellent mid sized machines. I know of many 650 Yamaha V-Stars in the Club, so they will be even more popular now, what with being LAMS approved and cheaper to register.

It hasn't been all good news though as we read in the Advertiser in mid June that the compulsory Ridesafe training course was to be cost effective with fees in line with the cost of production. The total cost now has gone

from \$169 to \$545 for the Ls and Ps course – what a rip-off!

I knew that Transport SA were reviewing their strategy and we were ready for a modest rise in fees, but a 322% rise was totally unpredictable.

We now have the situation where the waiting time for the Ridersafe course is some 14 weeks – the Government's answer to this is to discourage new riders coming on board by making the cost prohibitive. After forking out for a bike, boots, helmet and other gear, the new rider is faced with another \$545. We already have a high rate of unlicensed riders on the road and they figure prominently in the crash statistics. What this draconian measure will do is to further force new and novice riders into the illegal category. Needless to say, we will not be sitting by and letting this happen.

On pages 8 and 9 are the details for an MRASA organised protest rally. A huge turnout of Ulyssians is expected, as we work closely together, and it is us, as well as our sons, daughters and grand-children who will be faced with this massive impost. Don't forget that most motorcyclists also hold a car licence as well, adding to a double whammy.

Coming right on top of the huge increase in popularity of motorcycles and scooters, which hold the key to our transport problems, this impost is hard to take and is nothing but blatant opportunism.

Neville Gray #3394
National Public Liaison Coordinator



Married 25 years, I took a look at my wife one day and said, "Honey, 25 years ago, we had a cheap apartment, a cheap car, slept on a sofa bed and watched A 10 inch black and white TV, but I got to sleep every night with a hot 25 Year old blonde.

Now, we have a nice house, nice car, big bed and plasma Screen TV, but I'm sleeping with a 50 year old woman. It seems to me that You are not holding up your side of things."

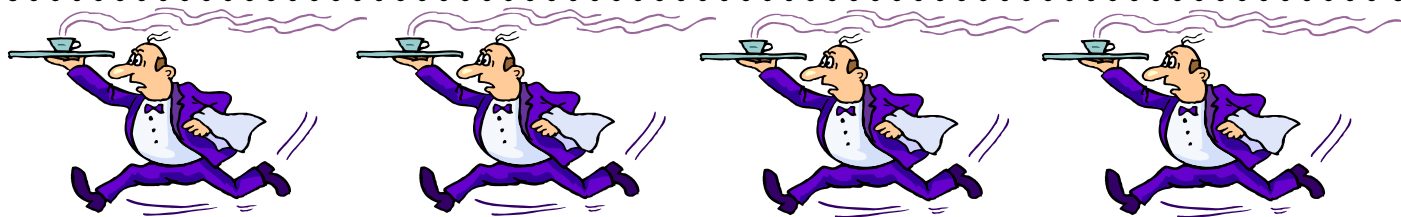
My wife is a very reasonable woman. She told me to go out and find a hot 25 Year old blonde, and she would make sure that I would once again be living in A cheap apartment, driving a cheap car, sleeping on a sofa bed

Adelaide Branch Ride Calendar Feb-June 2006

Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	From
August 6	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Brass Monkey Ride	Cape Jervis	Top o'Taps
August 12	Saturday 9.00	Wendy King 8837 3449	Weekend at Wallaroo	Fully booked	Caltex Bolivar
August 13	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Strathalbyn	McDonald's Magill Rd
August 20	Sunday 9.30 am	Rob Sainsbury 8186 5801	Coast Yamaha Sponsored Ride Breakfast: 212 Sth Road Morphett Vale then ride afterwards		Coast Yamaha
August 27	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Hills Market Day Ride	Various	Civic Park
September 3	Sunday 9.30 am	Rob Sainsbury 8186 5801	Fathers' Day Ride	Mystery	Top o'Taps
September 10	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Remembrance Day Ride	TBA	McDonald's Magill Rd
September 17	Sunday 9.00 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Bill's Motorcycles Sponsored Ride	TBA	Bill's Motorcycles Main Nth Rd Enfield
September 24	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Lyndoch	Top o'Taps
October 1-3			Central Odyssey	Naracoorte	
October 8	Sunday 9.30 am	Liz Fairchild 8277 5509	President's Ride	Mystery	Top o'Taps
October 15	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Milang	Civic Park opposite TTP
October 22	Sunday	WIMA	Pink Ribbon Ride		
October 29	Sunday	Andrew Mill	K & M Motorcycles		

All enquiries should be directed to the leader of the ride in which you are interested.
Please watch for follow-up details or changes in future editions of The Odyssey

MONTHLY DINNERS



Friday, 11th August, 2006



7pm

at

**Windsor Hotel
410 North East Road
Windsor Gardens**

**for bookings & cancellations phone
Jenny Hills on 8262 5493
(leave message on message bank)**

**DO NOT PHONE HOTEL
bookings close
Wednesday, 9th August, 2006**

Friday, 15th September, 2006



7pm

at

**Feathers Hotel
516 Glynburn Road
Burnside**

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Jenny Hills on 8262 5493
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**DO NOT PHONE HOTEL
bookings close
Wednesday, 13th September, 2006**

**Friday, 13th October, 2006
(Nothing superstitious about this date)**



7pm

at

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Wednesday, 11th October, 2006**

The Hypnotist

A woman comes home and tells her husband, "Remember those headaches I've been having all these years? Well, they're gone -- No more headaches." The husband then asks her, "What happened?" His wife replies, "Margie referred me to a hypnotist. He told me to stand in front of a mirror, stare at myself and repeat, 'I do not have a headache, I do not have a headache, I do not have a headache.' It worked! The headaches are all gone and I feel great." The husband replies, "Well, that is wonderful, honey." His wife then says, "You know, you haven't exactly been a ball of fire in the bedroom these last few years. Why don't you go see the hypnotist and see if he can do anything for that?" The husband agrees to try it. Following his appointment, the husband comes home, rips off his clothes, picks up his wife and carries her into the bedroom. He puts her on the bed and says, "Don't move, I'll be right back." He goes into the bathroom and comes back a few minutes later and jumps into bed and makes passionate love to his wife like never before. His wife says, "Wow, that was wonderful!" The husband again says, "Don't move! I will be right back!" He goes back into the bathroom, comes back and round two was even better than the first. The wife sits up and her head is spinning. Her husband again says, "Don't move, I'll be right back!" With that, he goes back into the bathroom. This time, his wife quietly follows him and there, in the bathroom, she sees him standing at the mirror and saying, "She's not my wife She's not my wife. She's not my wife!"

Funeral services are scheduled for this Tuesday.

What Adelaide Branch has been up to.....

Sue's Poetry Weekend at Peterborough



We took off, Jenny, Jann and I, in the ute, with me driving. Jenny navigated and Jann kept the conversation going. We met the Booyes, Kevin Brenton and Guzzi Bob at Smithfield. It was cold, but not raining, and more importantly, *no wind!*

Drove to Clare, had coffee at the servo and met up with Wendy and Garry (Ardrossan).

We then travelled on to Peterborough, having decided to give Magnetic Hill a miss, because of the extreme cold (6°). There had also been a lot of rain the day before, so the dirt road into Magnetic Hill would have been too boggy - Kerry and Brian (Adelaide) went out there in the afternoon to observe the phenomenon.

We had a picnic lunch at the Rotary Park in the main street. Keith Eacott, from Wallaroo, met us there.

Then we went to the Railway Hotel and met Ray CLancy and Geoff McDonald (Port Augusta), and Carol and Trevor McDonald (Adelaide), and Blue Coppin (Swan Reach).

We hit the front bar and had a few drinks, then some of us took advantage of the local tourist bus to do an 80 minute tour of the town (Jenny had arranged this), which was very interesting, although the driver appeared to be a bit tired and grumpy.

We went back to the pub and then did a pub crawl to the other three pubs in town. This was a great way to meet some of the Peterborough locals, who were all really friendly and fun people.

Back to the Railway Hotel for tea, then we retired to the upstairs lounge room to hear some brilliant new pieces of poetry from Guzzi Bob and Blue, and some funny ones from Geoff. By request, I did a Fractured Fairy Tale.

It was nice to meet up with Michael Cliff, Ian Murdock and Michael Arnold from Port Pirie. They came for the night and went home again. Maybe we need a trip to Port Pirie soon, eh?!

Our rooms were comfortable, which was good, because we found the general ambience of the pub was totally different from the last time we were there. It's sad when we remember the good times we have had in a place, only to find them totally changed by different management.

• Wendy and Jann had to go to the bottle shop (outside the pub) to buy their bottles of bubbly, then the employee took it into the bar where they had to pay \$6 corkage for the privilege of drinking it in the front bar.

• Geoff was not able to buy a glass of port in the front bar when there was a cask of it behind the bar in the dining room bar (a door connected the two bars).

• Sue couldn't buy Green Ginger Wine in the bar.

• Don bought a six pack to take up stairs for the poetry readings, and when he wandered back down stairs to the bar still carrying a half empty can, he was rudely told he had to get back upstairs or go outside to drink it.



Despite these drawbacks, we all had a good time and lots of laughs!!!

Kerry Booy and Sue Freene

(I could wear the \$6 corkage, but to have to go outside to *their* bottle shop in the wind, and cold, etc., (good thing it wasn't raining!!) was just too much. Fortunately, when it was my shout, I got them to send another bottle in case we wanted another one, otherwise Jann would have had to *leave the dining room* during dinner and repeat the exercise. I was trying to be charitable, but all the people who worked there all had two legs, (including the male half of the management, who I thought could do with a visit to the PR School.) It was noticeable that there were a lot more people in the other pubs. **Wendy**



Caroline and Trevor McDonald



Guzzi Bob listens intently to Blue Coppin giving one of his renditions



Jenny Hills and Jann Baker living it up in the bar



Kevin Brenton , Keith Eacott, Jenny Hills and Kerry Boyy at lunch in the park



Ron Clancy and Geoff McDonald



Sue and Jann on the bus tour of Peterborough



Sue reading one of her famous fractured fairy tales

24 Hour Trial

For the 24 Hour Trial, held on Saturday, 8th July, it dawned crisp and cool, perfect for the race, except no rain meant plenty of dust and dirt.

The usual suspects were waiting for us at the site, because we were a tad late. Cookie had the tent and the generator with him, so they couldn't start without us.

We spent a bit of time discussing the layout of the control with the ACRAM guys, and everyone had their say on the important considerations for the success of the trial.

We had to consider the prevailing winds, the amount of space we had, the speed of the bikes, on which side of the bikes the numbers were, where the control keepers were to sit, where the runners had to cross the track, how much space the bikes would take to pull up (sometimes racing 3 abreast towards us), the space for caravans, trailers and cars, where the bonfire was going, where the ablution tent was going, where the barbecue and the food tent were going to be put.

We all slotted into our working positions like a well-oiled machine. We've been doing this control for so long, and so well, that we can almost read each others' minds.

Within 2 hours, we had our control set up - thanks to all who contributed fire wood.

WE had lunch, then the kettles went on for the never-ending cuppas, cakes, biscuits and munchies. Lee and Daryl sharpened their pencils and we waited for the first

round of bikes to arrive. The first round took 3 hours to go through. We had Ulysses visitors to the control, although not as many as last year.

It got dark pretty quickly, soup for tea, fire up the generator. Sausages and onion followed. The 8.00 pm shift took over and the bikes came around again. Not as many this time, because the rally section of the race does only the first and last laps.

Our ever-reliable Kerry and Brian Booy, Don, Bob and Cookie did the 2.00 am shift, and the rest of us tried to get some sleep. We were up again at about 6.00 am.

Had a Don Freene special breakfast and a standard tidy-up of the camp, while waiting for the next round - a few stragglers held us up, but one of the riders had to repair a puncture, which made him late.

We left around 12.00 noon. Many thanks to Judy and Brian Cook, and to all who made it another successful 24 Hour Trial.

I must say, I would really like a Ulyssian to enter this race! There are plenty of bikes at home in sheds, rusting away, that could be used in this race. This is a totally unique race - the longest in the world! Don't you want to be a part of that? One day, you will be too old, but you aren't yet - Len Dousett rode this race in his 80s! Come on, you Ulyssians, let's get some club members into this - the rally section is the first and last laps. Surely someone out there can do that! Are we a bike club or what?!!

Sue Freene



Seen at July's Monthly Dinner

Friday 14th July, 2006 despite the freezing weather outside, there was a warm, friendly atmosphere inside the Hampstead Hotel, which made the effort of coming out on a winter's night worth it. The meal and company was all a pleasure as usual!!



Neil and Coralie Larcombe

During the night, we all recalled great memories of a member who regularly attended the monthly dinners: Don Taylor passed away in Tasmania, recently, and expressions of sympathy are extended to his lovely wife, Barbara. **Jenny Hills** Co-ordinator



Margaret and Adrian Gray

THANK YOU, HELENA AND ROB



Left: Al Whittle and Geraldine Murray. Above: Ian Morgan makes a presentation to Rob and Helena

Above: Barry McDonald catching up with Alan and Carlene Dyer. Below: Newly wed, Sharon Brock shares a laugh with Helena and Margaret and Adrian Gray



By the reaction from Marg Vincent, it must have been pretty funny, Helena



Above: Phil Skinner and Jann Baker. Right: Fred Struensee from Whyalla with Rob and Helena



Above: A section of the crowd listens to Ian as he makes his presentation to Helena and Rob. Right: Ian and Annette Morgan



The June monthly dinner was an opportunity for members to thank Helena and Rob Cole for all the work they put into the Adelaide Branch, as Treasurer and Caterer respectively. About 45 members attended and there were lots of laughs as we relived many happy memories of years gone past. A lovely meal was had by all and a presentation was made to Helena and Rob by Ian Morgan, on behalf of all that were there.

A motorcycle awareness story.. like no other

I saw you, hug your purse closer to you in the grocery store line.

But, you didn't see me, put an extra \$10.00 in the collection plate last Sunday.

I saw you, pull your child closer when we passed each other on the sidewalk.

But, you didn't see me, playing Santa at the local mall.

I saw you, change your mind about going into the restaurant.

But, you didn't see me, attending a meeting to raise more money for the hurricane relief.

I saw you, roll up your window and shake your head when I drove by.

But, you didn't see me, riding behind you when you flicked your cigarette butt out the car window.

I saw you, frown at me when I smiled at your children.

But, you didn't see me, when I took time off from work to run toys to the homeless.

I saw you, stare at my long hair.

But, you didn't see me, and my friends cut ten inches off for Locks of Love.

I saw you, roll your eyes at our leather coats and gloves.

But, you didn't see me, and my brothers donate our old coats and gloves to those that had none.

I saw you look in fright at my tattoos.

But, you didn't see me, cry as my children were born and have their names written over my arm and in my heart.

I saw you, change lanes while rushing off to go somewhere.

But, you didn't see me, going home to be with my family.

I saw you, complain about how loud and noisy our bikes can be.

But, you didn't see me, when you were changing the CD and drifted into my lane.

I saw you, yelling at your kids in the car.

But, you didn't see me, pat my child's hands, knowing he was safe behind me.

I saw you, reading the map as you drove down the road.

But, you didn't see me, squeeze my wife's leg when she told me to take the next turn.

I saw you, race down the road in the rain.

But, you didn't see me, get soaked to the skin so my son could have the car to go on his date.

I saw you, run the yellow light just to save a few minutes of time.

But, you didn't see me, trying to turn right.

I saw you, cut me off because you needed to be in the lane I was in.

But, you didn't see me, leave the road.

I saw you, waiting impatiently for my friends to pass.

But, you didn't see me. I wasn't there.

I saw you, go home to your family.

But, you didn't see me, because, I died that day you cut me off.

I was just a biker,.....

A person with friends and a family.

But, you didn't see me.

MAY IS MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH.

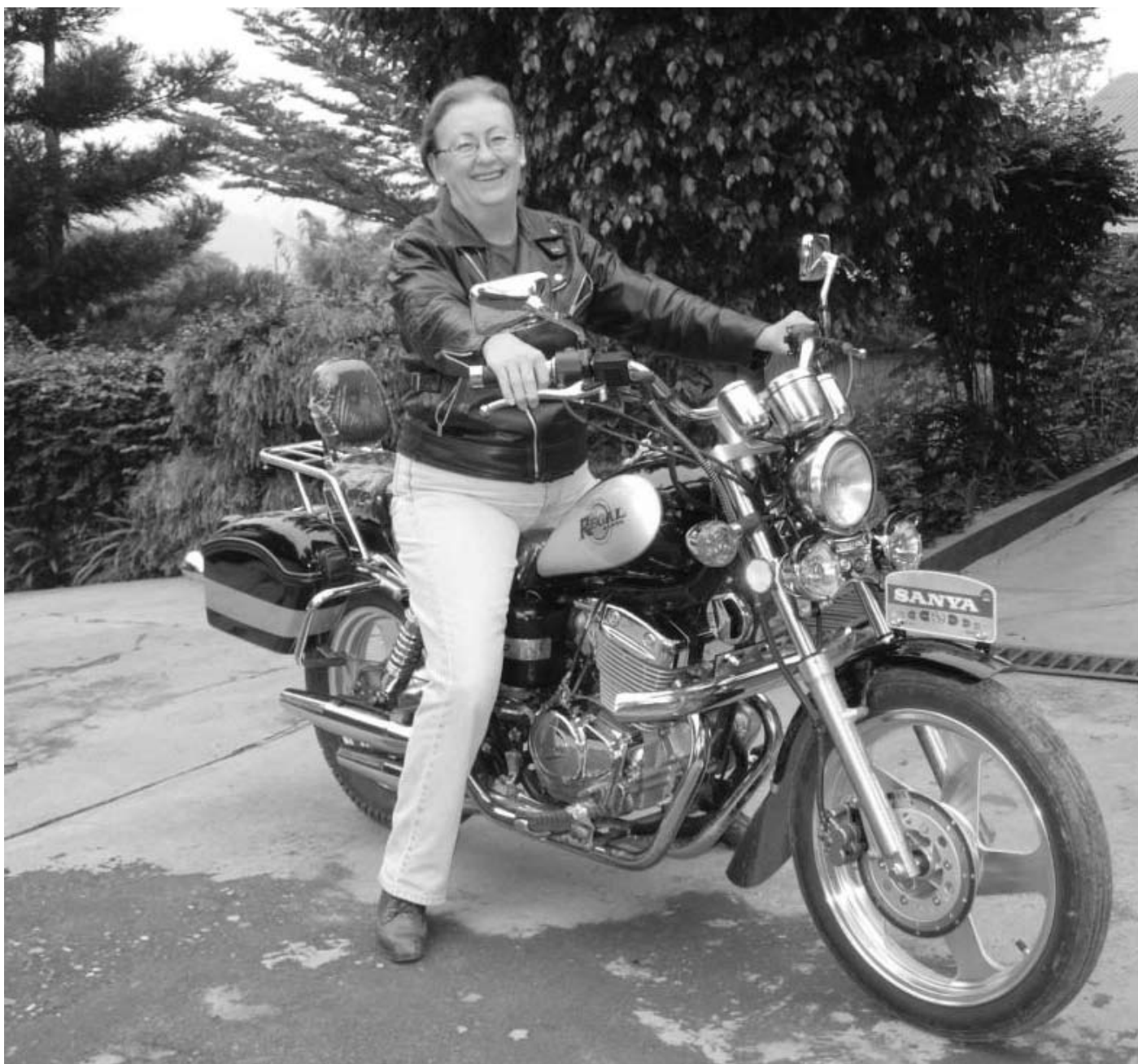
Be seen, be heard, be safe!

Take care on the roads everyone!

Contributed by Liz Fairchild

(I think EVERY month should be motorcycle awareness month. Ed.)





Di Longsen says 'Hi' to all her Ulyssian and WIMA friends and looks forward to seeing you all again. She sits proudly on her 'new toy' in Rwanda. Di is a Team Leader/Clinical Educator, Medical Unit of the King Faisal Hospital, Kigali.



PERKS OF BEING OVER 50

1. Kidnappers are not very interested in you.
- 2 In a hostage situation you are likely to be released first.
- 3 No one expects you to run - - anywhere.
- 4 People call at 9 pm and ask, "Did I wake you?"
- 5 People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
- 6 There is nothing left to learn the hard way.
- 7 Things you buy now won't wear out.
- 8 You can eat dinner at 4 pm.
- 9 You can live without sex , but not your glasses.
- 10 You enjoy hearing about other people's operations.
11. You get into heated arguments about pension plans.
- 12.. You no longer think of speed limits as a challenge.
13. You quit trying to hold your stomach in no matter who walks into the room.
- 14 You sing along with elevator music.
15. Your eyes won't get much worse.
16. Your investment in health insurance is finally beginning to pay off.
17. Your joints are more accurate meteorologists than the national weather service
18. Your secrets are safe with your friends because they can't remember them either.
19. Your supply of brain cells is finally down to manageable size.
20. You can't remember who sent you this list.

Pat McNamara

News from other SA Branches



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MONTH	DATE	RIDE	CONTACT	ADVISE BY	LEAVE	TIME
August	19	Sheringa Roadhouse	Mick Jesser 8682 4019 PLEASE ADVISE	12/8/06	TJ	10.30 am
September	2-3	O/N at Nyroca Hostel, Coulta Bring own food, sleeping bag & pillow. Bunkhouse accommodation \$10 per head MUST ADVISE	Trevor Hannam 8682 8209	26/8/06	TJ	11.00
September	8-10	To Lower Flinders Ranges through Gorges	Marlene Poole 8688 2316	1/9/06	NS	9.00 am
September	24	Ungarra Sports Centre BYO BBQ	Geoff Trevor 8683 1008		NS	11.00 am
October	29/9-2/10	13th Central Odyssey at Naracoorte				
October	15	Port Neill	Trevor Hannam 8682 8209		NS	10.30 am
October	23	AGM at North Shields Sports Centre				
November	12	Breakfast at Cougar's	Bill Sellen 8682 2713	5/11/06	TJ	7.00 am
November	25 Saturday	BYO BBQ at Peter & Lorraine Bradford's home, Coffin Bay Ride via Tumby Bay and Cummins	Bill Crettenden 8683 3382	17/11/06	TJ	10.00 am
December	9	Christmas Dinner at Lincoln Grove Estate Bookings MUST be Made For Directions, ring Trevor	Trevor Hannam 86828209	1/12/2006		5.30 pm for Pre Dinner refreshments
NB:	Come on any Event on any sort of wheels Sunday Impromptu Rides from Town Jetty at 10am Scheduled Rides Leave On Time Indicated : T J (Town Jetty) - N S (North Shields) All rides may be subject to alteration Visitors Welcome					
			PRESIDENT:	DES BOYCE:- Phone 86835135 Mob. 0427835135		

A blonde had just got a new sports car and was out for a drive when she accidentally cut off a truck driver. He motioned for her to pull over. When she did, he got out of his truck and pulled a piece of chalk from his pocket. He drew a circle on the side of the road and gruffly commanded the blonde "stand in that circle and DON'T MOVE!". He then went to her car and cut up her leather seats. When he turned around she had a slight grin on her face, so he said "Oh you think that's funny? Watch this!" He gets a baseball bat out of his truck and breaks every window in her car. When he turns and looks at her she has a smile on her face. He is getting really mad. He gets

his knife back out and slices all her tyres. Now she's laughing. The truck driver is really starting to lose it. He goes back to his truck and gets a can of gas, pours it on her car and sets it on fire. He turns around and she is laughing so hard she is about to fall down. "What's so funny?" the truck driver asked the blonde. She replied, "Every time you weren't looking, I stepped outside the circle!"



Hi all

The Limestone Coast Branch members are looking forward to hosting the 13th South Australian Central Odyssey over the coming long weekend, 29th September – 2nd October 2006. The committee has been working extremely hard on putting together a first class event with a variety of entertainment to keep you all happy. Of course, if you just want to relax and kick back for the weekend, the actual venue has lovely views and good facilities. The World Heritage listed Naracoorte Caves are within walking distance and has a lovely café that serves decent coffee. Registration form is available in this issue of The Odyssey and further information can be downloaded from the Limestone Coast Branch Website.

If you are visiting us here in “The Mount”, please take note: we now meet for coffee at 9.30am Sundays at Collars ‘n Cuffs, on the corner of Gray and Helen Streets. Our branch meetings are held on the first Sunday of the even months of the year at The Bellum Hotel at 1pm (after lunch).

Rides Captain, Chris Jackway, has put a generic rides calendar in place for the rest of the year as follows:

1st Sunday : Depart Collars ‘n Cuffs @ 10.30am. Short ride. Odd months to Casterton (ring to book lunch Albion Hotel 03 55811092)
Even months to The Bellum

2nd Sunday: Depart Lady Nelson 8.30 am for a Breakfast Run.

3rd Sunday: Depart Collars ‘n Cuffs 10.30am Short Ride about 50-70km radius. (Penola, Millicent, Nelson, Port Mac etc.)

4th Sunday: Depart Lady Nelson 10am. Long ride 100-140km radius. (Naracoorte, Portland, Robe Hamilton etc)

5th Sunday: (July, October, December) Depart Lady Nelson 10am. Mystery ride or weekend away.

Social Calendar

Club members coffee and chat every Sunday 9.30am Collars ‘n Cuffs.

Monthly dinner at Jen’s Hotel last Friday of the month at 6.30pm.

Phone 87250188 and book yourself onto the Ulysses table.

We recently had a **poker run** with moneys raised going towards prostate cancer awareness. Big Al Hill was the winner on the day. There have been brekkie runs to Waterfall Gardens and the Valley Lakes, and a fun day out to Macarthur. A few members ventured up to Mildura to the Wintersun Rally and, on their way home, met up with the Fleurieu and Shearwaters Branches in Horsham.

Look forward to catching up with all the South Ozzie Ulyssians at Naracoorte. Should be a hoot!!!!

**Till then
Miss Jane**



After his exam the doctor said to the elderly man, “You appear to be in good health. Do you have any medical concerns you would like to ask me about?”

“In fact, I do,” said the old man. “After I have sex with my wife, the first time I am usually hot and sweaty, and then, after I have sex with her the second time, I am usually cold and chilly.”

“Let me think about that,” the doctor replied. “I’ll talk more with you after I examine your wife.”

After examining his elderly wife, the doctor said, “Everything appears to be fine. Do you have any medical concerns that you would like to discuss with me?”

The lady replied that she had no questions or concerns. The doctor then said to her: “Your husband had an unusual concern. He claims he is usually hot and sweaty after having sex with you the first time, and then cold and chilly after the second time. Do you know why?”

“Oh that crazy old fart,” she replied. “That’s because the first time is usually in January and the second time is in July.”

Hi Everyone

Our AGM is now over and we have a new mix on our Committee. Some of the 'oldies' are back and some 'newies' have been elected.

I was lucky enough to be elected as the new President of the Fleurieu Branch, taking the reins from Warren 'Memphis' Jamieson in this role. I would like to say that I appreciate the confidence that has been shown in me by our members, and feel lucky to be inheriting a Branch in such good shape. I will be adopting an 'if it ain't broke, so don't fix it' approach. However, that doesn't mean we will be standing still. New directions and events are driven by members and the more ideas that we get, the more interesting and diverse our Rides and Social calendars will be, so please make sure that these ideas get to the appropriate Committee member.

Our 'wise heads', Chris Matthews, as Secretary, and Michael Cox, our Treasurer, were both re-elected unopposed, and we consider ourselves very lucky to have them both back again for another tour of duty.

Craze Jenkins has stepped aside as Rides' Captain, with Mick Corfield coming into this position, bringing with him lots of enthusiasm and new ideas, and a catering background, which I am sure we are all going to appreciate. We are all pleased that Craze is staying on Committee, along with Rob "Hobbit" Ryan.

Chris Roberts has chosen not to continue on Committee, but will retain his ex-officio role as Webmaster for us. We look forward to his input, in the coming year, to our Website, with all the new ideas that he has. If you haven't seen it yet, check it out at www.fub.org.au

Our other new Committee member is Phil Close, from Victor Harbor, who brings with him previous Committee experi-

ence, and is standing in for Chris Matthews, while she is away, in the capacity of Acting Secretary. You can bet we are going to find lots of things for him to do!

We also have 2 very active sub-committees being our Rides and Social Sub-Committees. Mick, Luke, Craze and Hobbit are our Rides Sub-Committee, and they are currently working on next year's calendar, while Hobbit, Hoppy, Vespa and Phil are our VERY Social, Sub-Committee. Our Social boys have also been very busy, having just held their first event, being the Trivia Night, which was a HUGE success, with nearly 100 tickets sold. I am sure the next event – a 'Beast Feast' on 5th August - will be just as much fun.



Upcoming events with the Fleurieu Branch include the Beast Feast on 5th August, Rellies' Ride to Meningie on 13th August (now leaving from the Alma Hotel at 10.00am) and the Kuitpo overnigher on 26th & 27th August. (Tickets for Kuitpo available at August meeting). Our complete rides calendar is on the Website.

Once again, I would like to thank all the members that attend and assist with our meetings, rides and social events and the happy smiling 'bods' that turn up each month to our meetings, making them something to look forward to.

Remember to ride carefully, have fun and watch out for the d***heads!!!!

Heather Van Erp
'Haveachat'

MEMORIAL RUN

On the 10th September, once again we will be hosting our Annual Memorial Run with the aid of the Longriders Christian Motorcycle Club.

We will be leaving the Alma Hotel at Willunga and go to Strathalbyn, where we will be joined by the Longriders, and then head off to Murray Mouth for a short service, which will be lead by Bonnie, then finish at the Bocca Bella.

For the price of \$15.00 per head, we will be provided with a complimentary drink on arrival followed by a buffet lunch, coffee or tea. Deserts will be available for a cost. There will also be a live band to entertain us for the afternoon.

It promises to be a great afternoon, so make sure you keep this day available. Look forward to seeing you there.

For more info contact ~
Go Down on 83841370 or 0410097792



Ride For Toys & Goolwa Christmas Parade

Date ~ December 10th 2006
Meeting at ~ Old Noarlunga Football Club
Leaving time ~ 3.00pm
Destination ~ Goolwa
Food & drinks will be available for purchase before heading off

For more info contact ~ Go Down on 83841370 or
0410097792

Yorke Peninsula

June 4: The weather started out overcast, becoming fine and sunny when 28 members and partners met at the Port Vincent Primary School to view the students' aquatic display. The display is a credit to the students and staff. Thank you to Marilyn for opening the school for the YP group, allowing us to see how it operates. Lunch was held at Marilyn and Grantly Trotter's home.

June 25: About 28 riders from YP joined the Torrens Valley Branch for lunch at the Kings'.

July 1 and 2: 11 Ulyssians from YP and 6 from Adelaide met at Melrose for an overnight stay. The blustery weather on Saturday probably kept a few away. Accommodation at the Caravan Park Units, Backpackers Rooms and motel were used, with the evening meal at the Mount Remarkable Hotel. Sunday breakfast was supplied for those who wanted it, by the local deli. One keen Adelaide member got up early to go for a bit of a 'fang' through Horrock's Pass and back, before breakfast. Everyone started leaving for home about mid morning, after an enjoyable weekend.

Coming Up

August 12 and 13: Adelaide branch weekender at Wallaroo

September 3: Fathers' Day Ride to St Kilda - visit Tram Museum and/or Mangrove Trail, with lunch at the Salisbury North Community Club, Bagster Road, Salisbury North at 12.30 pm. Normal menu plus specials of the day, prices starting at \$6.00. Bookings are essential. **Definite numbers needed by 18th August by contacting James on 8823 3247 or 0429 864 262.** Late contacts will have to make their own arrangements. Depart Port Wakefield at 9.00 am.

September 30 - October 2: Central Odyssey at Naracoorte

November 5: Ride to Stenhouse Bay for lunch at Rhyno's

Tavern. Meal prices from \$12.00.

Definite numbers are needed. Contact Jim Davies or James by 29th October on the numbers below.

November 19: SYP Toy Run - further details, contact Jim Davies

November 26: NYP Toy Run - further details, contact James Bartsch.

December: No organised run (toy runs)

At the end of this year, I will be stepping down at the Rides/ Events Organiser. Thank you for your support over the years. Another volunteer will be needed to fill this position.

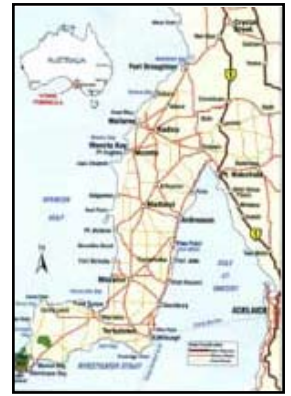
For any information, contact

James Bartsch on 8823 3247 or 0429 864 262

Jim Davies on 8852 1021 or 0417 836 994

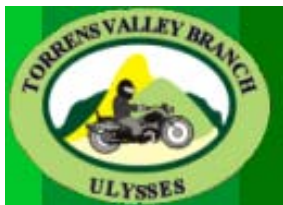
Stay upright and ride safe

James Bartsch

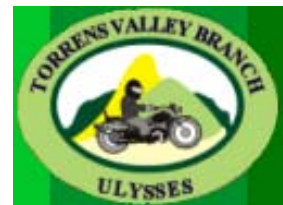


Wednesday Rides

leave the parking bay in the centre of Kadina Park or the Ardrossan Roadhouse at 9.30 am on Wednesdays. This time can vary depending on where they are going. Please contact Clive Ford for information 8825 2490 before **any** Wednesday ride to get the latest information.



Torrens Valley Branch Ride Calendar



Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	From
August 6	Sunday 10.00 am	David Holland 0411 378 181	Dundeas 4 lunch	Murray Bridge	Gawler
August 13	Sunday 8.00 am (for breakfast) Ride departs 9.30 am	Jeff Chilton 8285 1435	Mitre 10 Sponsored Ride	TBA	Mitre 10 Parafield Gardens Sheppardson Road
August 20	Sunday 9.30 am	David Holland (a/a) Rob Sainsbury 8186 5801	Coast Yamaha Sponsored Ride	Brekky at the shop	Depart Munno Para for brekky then ride
August 27	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride		Civic Park
September 3	Sunday 10.00 am	David Holland 0411 378 181	Fathers' Day Dave's B/D BBQ	Nuriootpa	Gawler
September 10			Ghost Town Rally Broken Hill		
September 17	Sunday 9.00 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Sponsored Day Ride		Bill's Motorcycles Main North Road
September 24	Sunday 10.00 am	David Holland 0411 378 181	Meet the Mallee Mob	Blanchetown	Munno Para
October Long Weekend			Central Odyssey	Naracoorte	
October 22	Sunday 10.00 am	WIMA	Pink Ribbon Ride	TBA	TBA
Nov 3-7		Mark Seja	Westgate Weekend	Mildura	Various
Dec. 10	Sunday 10.00 am	MRA	MRA Toy Run	Hahndorf Oval	Glenelg

Your Ride Can Go Here:
Give David Holland a call on 0411 378 181

Hi All,

Well The Torrens Valley AGM has been and gone and the new committee has been elected and I'm the new Rides Captain. It was a hard fought campaign and I'm sure that if anyone else had nominated I would probably have lost, ha ha.

I was surprised at how much there is to do in this job. I've only led one ride and I'm exhausted. But the future looks good I've already had some long talks with other branches and there is a keen desire to meet and greet, with combined rides and, best of all, some of those good old weekenders we used to have. So I will do my best to bring you a range of rides and activities over the next twelve months.

Dave (Dutch) Holland



**Torrens Valley new Rides Captain, David Holland with
Daisy, the newest member of the King household**

Torrens Valley Ride Report

4 Captains' Ride to Sedan

On Sunday 4th June, Ross led a picturesque ride through the hills to our final destination of Sedan. Meanwhile, Andy "Cougar" Mill, "Craze" Jenkins and their groups were making their way to Gumeracha, to meet us for morning tea.

As I am sure everyone knows, we seem to travel kms out of our way to arrive at our lunch time meeting place, but we travel roads that many of us have not ventured on before. We all had morning tea together at Gumeracha and then re-grouped to travel to Sedan. Heading back on the road to Birdwood, we turned off on the Checker Hill Road, for the uninitiated, a very windy, steep and hairy road, pretty though! We then went through Kersbrook, Williamstown, Eden Valley and arrived at Sedan in time for lunch. It was terrific to see several riders from the Mallee Branch at Sedan and to catch up with news from that area.

Some members had lunch at the Hotel, while others frequented the deli or supermarket for a hot pie and drink.

After a chat, standing at the town marker in the middle of the road, everyone made their way home after a very successful ride. Some of us had coffee and cake (to die for), at the "Cambrai Creamery Café" in Cambrai. We will certainly be back there again as well!

Thanks again to our Leaders whose organization and expertise enabled us to have another great ride.

Rosemary Alexander



At the crossroads

Tai Jones' Last Ride as Captain!!!

26 bikes gathered at Munno Para on Sunday 25th June for an enjoyable ride to Ardrossan. The day was fairly cold and the rain kept away, which made pleasant travelling weather. As we needed to arrive at Wendy and Garry's for lunch at a reasonable hour, it meant taking a direct route up the Port Wakefield Road to Port Wakefield for a fuel stop, and then on to "The Shed" at Lochiel for a welcome cuppa and chat. We were made very welcome at "The Shed" and it comes highly recommended if you are travelling in that area again.

On leaving Lochiel, we were taken on a newly bituminized road to Kulpara, probably none of those present had been on this road before. From there, we went inland through Melton, Arthurton and down to Ardrossan, a bumpy road but very pretty nonetheless.

We had a well cooked, and scrumptious sausage sizzle waiting for us at Wendy and Garry's, and everyone was made to feel very welcome. Wendy even made scones with jam and cream, we were spoilt!

Members from the York Peninsula club joined us, which increased the gathering to about 55.

Thank you to all those who made the day a really pleasant experience, well done! Finally, a huge thank you to Ross Jones, who has spent an enormous number of hours preparing and leading the Torrens Valley members on an inordinate number of rides to some really terrific destinations, thanks again, Ross.

Rosemary Alexander



Luscious by name and luscious by nature

An Invitation from Sue and Colin Hughes

Anybodies' New Year Gathering

Sue and Colin are going to Tumby Bay for the New Year's Weekend. They are inviting anybody who wishes to come along, to come along.

They will be staying at the Tumby Bay Caravan Park. Mention the name of the gathering and you will be grouped with the rest of us. To book call freecall 1800 800 320

Other Accommodation in the town:

The Sea Breeze Hotel (08) 8688 2362.

The Tumby Bay Hotel (08) 8688 2005

The Tumby Bay Marina Motel (08) 8688 2311

Entertainment for the New Year's Eve will be *The Tin Shed Rockers* playing at the Sea Breeze Hotel.

So if you've got nothing planned for New Year's Eve, come along for the ride.

For more information call Sue on 0437576220 or Colin on 0427 040465.

PROPOSED SOUTHERN FLINDERS ULYSSES RIDE GROUP



For some time there has been discussion on starting a Ulysses ride group in the Pt. Pirie region.

After talking with several members, it has been decided to hold an initial get together and see if there is enough interest to start a regular ride group. The idea has been put forward to form a ride group only, not an actual branch. This would mean having regular organized rides, but not holding regular meetings or forming committees.

The initial get together would be to gauge interest in the idea, and perhaps get some rides and dates organized (if there is enough interest) to see how it runs. All members are invited to attend and offer ideas and suggestions. If you are interested, but cannot

make it on the day, please register your interest or offer suggestions by contacting either Les or Leon.

The initial get together will be held on Sunday, August 27, 2006 at Mid North Suzuki (Boats'n'Bits), 58 Esmond Rd., Pt. Pirie, commencing at 9:30am. We plan to start with a free bbq breakfast (donated by Debbie and Leon of Mid North Suzuki) then have a discussion on forming a ride group and hopefully finish with a short ride.

For further information please contact either:

Les Beyer 0427 632 213
or Leon Stephens 0407 727 035



Cooks' Corner



I got this recipe from my friend, Anne Visser, in Broken Hill, because it reflects my favourite kind of cooking - all in together. Ed

APRICOT SHORTCAKE

1 1/2 CUPS SELF-RAISING FLOUR
 410G CAN PIE APRICOTS
 1 CUP COCONUT
 1/2 CUP ROLLED OATS
 1/2 CUP BROWN SUGAR
 1 EGG BEATEN
 110 GRMS MELTED MARG
 1 TBLSP CANOLA OIL
 PREHEAT OVEN TO 180°
 MIX ALL IN BOWL .
 PLACE IN 20CM SPRING FORM TIN AND BAKE
 FOR 25 MINS UNTIL SKEWER COMES OUT
 CLEAN.
 REMOVE FROM PAN
 ALLOW TO COOL 10 MINS
 DUST WITH ICING SUGAR
 CAN ALSO USE APPLES



Having trouble with your neighbours?

INNER STRENGTH

If you can start the day without caffeine or pep pills,
 If you can be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,
 If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,
 If you can eat the same food everyday and be grateful for it,
 If you can understand when loved ones are too busy to give you time,
 If you can overlook when people take things out on you when through no fault of yours, something goes wrong,
 If you can take criticism and blame without resentment,
 If you can face the world without lies and deceit,
 If you can conquer tension without medical help,
 If you can relax without liquor,
 If you can sleep without the aid of drugs,
 If you can do all these things,

Then you are probably the family dog.

Contributed by Jenny Hills

A South African gold miner loses his leg in a mining accident and is sitting in hospital talking to his mate.



“Well that’s me finished! Who on earth’s going to want a one legged gold digger?”

His mate replies, “Well, you could try Sir Paul McCartney

New Members

Rex Orr	14 St Vincent Close	Aberfoyle Park 5159	8370 7246
Grant Whitaker	9 Wilga Street	Seacombe Gardens 5047	
Bruce Millican	PO Box 643	Nairne 5252	



Change of Address

Royce and Sylvia Fisher	51 Tonkin Avenue	Barmera 5345	8588 1020
Philip Butterworth	PO Box 133	Stirling North 5710	
Arthur Mathews	1 Coral Street	Rosewater 5013	
Colin Flaherty	PO Box 86	Morgan 5320	

Poets' Corner



He's Back

The legendary phoenix comes back from its ashes,
But motorbike write-offs don't come back from crashes,
Except when they're owned by the likes of our Paul.
He doesn't like limits or boundaries at all!
So, I'd say this sparkling green re-incarnation
Is worthy of everyone's admiration
And then, of course, there's the guy on the seat.
His guts and determination a feat
Of endurance that not many others could stand.
Now he's back in the saddle, riding - AND
Let's not forget Moira, his so-caring wife
Who has helped this hooligan reclaim his life!!
So, congratulations from all, old son.
Ride safe and free, enjoy, have fun!

Guzzi Bob

Life is an opportunity, benefit from it.

Life is beauty, admire it.
Life is bliss, taste it.
Life is a dream, realize it.
Life is a challenge, meet it.
Life is a duty, complete it.
Life is a game, play it.
Life is a promise, fulfil it.
Life is sorrow, overcome it.
Life is a song, sing it.
Life is a struggle, accept it.
Life is a tragedy, confront it.
Life is an adventure, dare it.
Life is luck, make it.
Life is too precious, do not destroy it.
Life is life, fight for it.



Mother Teresa

'Thank you' to Liz Robertson for sending in this little gem.

Speaking of little old ladies...

A little old lady was walking down the street dragging two plastic garbage bags, one in each hand. One of the bags had a hole, and every once in a while a \$20 bill flew out onto the pavement.

A policeman noticed it, stopped her, and said, "Ma'am, there are \$20 bills falling out of one of your plastic bags."

"Dang!" said the little old lady. "I'd better go back and see if I can still find some of them. Thanks for the warning!"

"Well, now, not so fast" said the cop. "How did you get all that money? Did you steal it?"

"Oh no," replied the little old lady. "You see, my backyard goes all the way up to the edge of the parking lot of the football stadium. Each time there's a game, a lot of fans come and some of them pee in the bushes, and right into my flower beds! So every time there is a game, I go and stand behind the bushes with a big hedge clipper, and each time someone sticks his thingie through the bushes, I say:

'\$20 or off it comes' . . ."

"Hey, that's pretty good!" laughed the cop.

"O.K., Ma'am, and more luck to you! But before you go, what's in the other bag?"

"Well" said the little old lady, "not all of them pay up."

Have a great day and don't mess with little old ladies!



Ramblings of a Retired Mind

I was thinking about how a status symbol of today is those cell phones that everyone has clipped on. I can't afford one. So, I'm wearing my garage door opener.

You know, I spent a fortune on deodorant before I realized that people didn't like me anyway.

I was thinking about old age and decided that it is 'when you still have something on the ball, but you are just too tired to bounce it.'

I thought about making a fitness movie, for folks my age, and call it "Pumping Rust."

I have gotten that dreaded furniture disease. That's when your chest is falling into your drawers!

I know, when people see a cat's litter box, they always say, "Oh, have you got a cat?"

Just once I want to say, "No, it's for company!"

Employment application blanks always ask 'who is to be notified in case of an emergency.' I think you should write, "A Good Doctor!"

Why do they put pictures of criminals up in the Post Office? What are we supposed to do -- write to these men? Why don't they just put their pictures on the postage stamps so the mailmen could look for them while they deliver the mail? Or better yet, arrest them while they are taking their pictures!

I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older. Then, it dawned on me, they were cramming for their finals. As for me, I'm just hoping God grades on the curve.

Classifieds

FOR SALE



BMW 1100 RT: (Pictured above) 1995. 1½ seat Higgins sideseat outfit. Features include: ABS brakes, 12V heavy duty car battery fitted into sidecar boot, 15" wheels with car tyres all round, rebuilt heavy duty rear shocker, BMW panniers, reworked front end with increased rack angle and spring tension. Chair equipped with rain canopy, nudge bar and stone bra. Original wheels and tyres also available. Fully serviced and ready to go. **\$15,000. Contact Rudi Esman on 0418 800 983**

Honda ST1100: Red, 1997 model. 66 000ks. Custom seat, air horns, back rest, cruise control. **\$10 999. On display at Pitman's or contact Spencer Clark on 8380 9068**

Camplet Trailer: 2003. Good condition + extras. Can be towed by large bikes (Goldwings, etc.). Over \$13,000 new. Sell for **\$8,000. Contact Ken Fairchild on 8277 5509**

1998 MZ 660 Thumper: Contact Rob Hartridge (The Leadlight Man) on **8390 1131 or 0422 114 225.**

1998 250cc Yamaha Zeal: \$3 500 ono. Contact James on **0427 420 012**

Yamaha FJR1300: 2001. First registered April 2002. 18,600ks. New Michelin pilot tyres, large top box, lambs wool seat cover, Shadow trailer with lockable top. Both registered until July 2006. Immaculate condition. Been serviced at all intervals. Regrettable sale. **\$16,500 ono. Contact Vic on 0419 623 169**

Ducati Monster 620 Dark: As new 2005 model. 5 700ks on the clock. Registered until August. Excellent condition. **\$10,000 neg. Contact Steven Lock on 0419 866 733 or 8270 5913 or 8382 2456**

Frog Trailer: Tows great at all speeds. 2 new tyres prior to leaving for Tassie AGM), 1 good spare on mag wheel. Black in colour, front storage, roof rack. Registered until September 2006. Reason for selling - opportunity to buy a camper trailer. **\$18 000 ono. Contact Pat McNamara on 0403 974 954 or Louise Goldsmith on 8322 1919 (home)**

Tent: Free Time Camper 4. Family Deluxe. Very good condition. **\$130 ono. Contact Trevor on 0412 698 059**

Shadow Trailer: As new. Also Caravan: Coromel 535. Single beds, air-con. As new. No further use. **Best offer. For more details and prices, contact Kevin Hausler on 8556 5268**

Bike Trailer: Pewter colour. Registered until early 2007. Stone guard, separate helmet box. **\$1800. Contact Jock on 0411 027 496**

HONDA VFR750: 1994, red, 65 000km, good condition, Formula 1 Laser pipe, tyres/brakes/battery 1 year old, solo seat cowling, Dec '06 rego. Rides beautifully. **Offers over \$5,500. Contact Martin 04300 84 253**

Large top box Harley or similar \$125.00
XXL leather jacket Brando style as new \$175.00
2 helmets XL \$90/\$160 as new
Contact Pat Tumbers on 83796378

Suzuki V TLS V Twin 1000: 1998 model. Yoshi cans, Ventura rack. Very good condition. 55,000ks. **\$8,000 ono. Contact Allan on 8250 5290**

WANTED



WANTED: For Honda Revere - Front screen, workshop manual or service sheets.
Contact Mike on 8264 3386